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(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Summer planting — Laquitha Drake, 11, Markiesha Evans, 12, and Katrina Gray, 12, plant flowers in the garden in front of the Venice Park District Community Center. The planting of the flowers was sponsored by the district's summer program. More photos on Page 2A.

Police step up traffic efforts

Sign allows motorists to see speed

By Bob Slatz
Staff writer

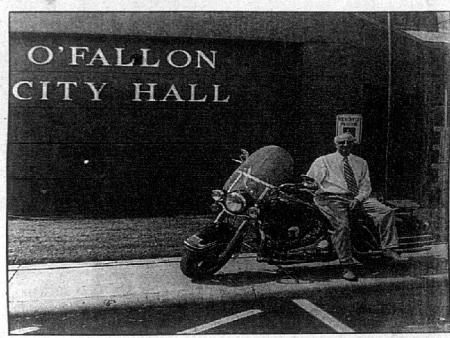
Motorists on Madison Avenue were surprised Friday to find a large sign in front of the police station displaying their speed.

"It is an informational program to let the public know their speed and the speed limit," Granite City police Chief Dave Ruebhausen said. "I think many times people don't realize how fast they're going."

The sign, similar to the displays that can be seen near construction sites on state highways, is being borrowed from the Illinois State Police. It contains a radar gun and includes a large display showing the current speed of motorists as they pass the station. It also provides police with a computer printout of the number of cars that passed and their speeds.

The "Smart Trailer" is being used in conjunction with an increased focus on traffic enforcement by the department, Ruebhausen said. "We've started to increase our traffic enforcement with a special detail," he said.

Over the last two weeks, officers from the police units on Johnson Road, Madison Avenue, Edwardsville Road, Maryville Road, Pontoon Road, West 20th Street and State Street, he said. The



(Staff photo by MARK HODAPP)

Mayor Gary Graham shows of the new City Hall while sitting atop his motorcycle.

increased attention has resulted in 158 citations issued in the last two weeks, Ruebhausen said. That number includes mostly speeding, driving without insurance and seat belt violations.

It does not include warnings issued or arrests on warrants that resulted from traffic stops.

The "Smart Trailer" will be moved to various locations while it is on loan to the department, Ruebhausen said.

It's fireworks time

'Patriots in the Park' offers many activities

By Bob Slatz
Staff writer

Area residents will have lots of fun activities to choose from this week as the Granite City Park District presents "Patriots in the Park," its Independence Day celebration to be held Wednesday through Sunday in the Park.

Pony rides and a petting zoo for the kids, softball and mud volleyball tournaments, a craft show, a car show, a firemen's rodeo, live entertainment and a carnival are among the activities planned. The event will be capped off by the largest fireworks display in the city's history.

The carnival — always a popular event — will be held Wednesday through Saturday. Wednesday and Saturday, a variety of rides will be offered. Special attractions include matinees by the Waterloo German Band will be roving the park on Friday.

The firemen's rodeo will be conducted (See BOARD, Page 8A)

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Thursday and Sunday and Arm Band Day from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, when the purchase of a \$7 arm band allows unlimited rides.

There will be a craft show at the Wilson Pavilion from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday. On stage at the Centennial Pavilion will be the Country Music Machine (7-9 p.m. Thursday); the Community Band (3:45 p.m. Friday); the Dixie Jazz Kings (5-7 p.m. Friday); the Summer Band (7-9 p.m. Saturday); and Jeff and Lori (7-9 p.m. Sunday). The Waterloo German Band will be roving the park on Friday.

The firemen's rodeo will be conducted (See BOARD, Page 8A)

Clean Air Hotline in operation

By Kimberly Haas
Staff writer

The American Lung Association hopes the Clean Air Hotline will help residents and the ozone, especially during the hot summer months.

"The idea of the hotline is twofold. One is that the idea is a powerful lung irritant and we want everyone to take precautions," said Mark Bishop, program director of Environmental Lung Health for the American Lung Association of eastern Missouri (ALAEM). "And we (See HOTLINE, Page 4A)

Board members want off committees

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

Two members of the Village of Pontoon Beach Board of Trustees asked Tuesday to be removed from committees they were appointed to by Mayor Glen Wilson.

Trustee Gus Falter asked to be removed from the Annexation Board, saying he did not believe he was qualified to be chairman of that governing body.

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"Everything goes around me," Falter said. "And I'm not sure I'm qualified."

Wilson said he didn't "know who else would be."

"We have to have a committee," he said.

Trustees Lou Whitsell and Bob Vincent serve on the

(See BOARD, Page 4A)

Mitchell petitions are filed

A group's effort to incorporate the Mitchell area as a village has moved into the courts.

Petitions filed in Madison County Circuit Court this week contain nearly 900 signatures in support of an election on incorporation in November. Only 100 valid signatures are required.

A judge will consider the petitions in a hearing scheduled at 1 p.m. on July 10 in the Madison County courthouse.

Eddie Lee, chief of the volunteer fire department in Mitchell and a leader in the incorporation effort, said he is confident that most area residents support incorporation.

"The response has been tremendous from everyone," he said.

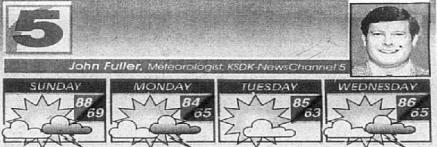
Lee and other Mitchell residents were motivated in part by plans for development of a

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK-TV, New-Channel 5

All smiles — Gov. Jim Edgar displays an enlarged replica of a \$21.3-million check for construction of a new engineering building at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. From left are SIU President Ted Sanders; Barney Birger of Collinsville, a former SIU board member; Chancellor Nancy Belck; Edgar; and David Werner, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs.

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NEWS



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PLANTING TIME

TOP: A group of Venice senior citizens helped organize and sponsor the planting of new flower beds in front of the Venice Park District's Recreation Hall. MIDDLE LEFT: Latisha Hyster holds some signs telling what plants to plant. ABOVE LEFT: Laquitha Drake, 11, makes sure the freshly planted flowers get plenty of water to make it through the hot afternoon. ABOVE RIGHT: The participants in Venice Park District's summer program work to plant a flower bed. FAR LEFT: Katrina Silas and Alicia Shannon, both 6, plant some flowers while Kendall Echols, 5, looks for a good place for his. LEFT: Jeremy Howard, left, waters the new flower bed while Franklin Powell watches.



Reservations for trip being taken

Reservations are still being accepted for the Grand Mediterranean Adventure, a European vacation organized by the St. Louis Area College's Programs and Services for Older Persons.

Scheduled for Oct. 10-12, the ship cruise from Spain to the Mediterranean regions of France, Italy and Greece. The trip will include stops in Barcelona, Rome and the Greek

island of Crete.

The cost is \$2,850. For more information, call Susan Gass at PSOP, 234-4410, ext. 17.

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by Jerry Besserman & Tina Stanley
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A day at the races
Gateway finals slated for today

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Two 5,000 horsepower cars spitting fire hurtle side-by-side down the quarter-mile track as the thunder of top fuel, funny car or pro stock cars deafens the enthusiastic crowd of more than 20,000 fans.

That is the prevailing image of the \$1.47 million National Hot Rod Association's 10th Sears Craftsman Nationals at Gateway International Raceway in Madison.

But there is much, much more for the casual observer as well as the drag racing aficionado to enjoy at the race track.

The finals of this, the 11th of 22 events in the Winston Drag Racing series, are slated to begin at 11 a.m. today, Sunday, Gates open at 7 a.m. with qualifying and eliminations being run at 9 a.m. prior to the opening ceremonies. A one-hour tape delay broadcast of highlights of the event will be shown on ABC-TV (Channel 30 in St. Louis) at 4 p.m. July 6.

The stories: There are plenty of stories to follow in this event. For example, the rivalry between Kenny Bernstein last year's Winston points series champion in top fuel, and Larry Dixon, who has yet to claim a victory this season.

Bernstein drives for Bud King racing and Dixon for Miller Racing, setting up a natural rivalry between the country's two most popular drag racers.

Or there is the story of rookie Gary Scelzi, whose Team Winston car is prepared by Alan Johnson — brother of Blaine Johnson who was the Winston points leader until his death last Labor Day at the U.S. Nationals.

Scelzi has claimed victory in four of the 10 previous top fuel events this year and qualified for the semifinals in each of the other six.

"Nothing makes a racer more excited than knowing the fans are as excited as he is," Scelzi said of the Inaugural Sears Craftsman Nationals event. "With a new facility, new fans and a new track for NHRA Winston Drag Racing, I can't wait to get to St. Louis."

Or there is the story of Cristen Powell who eclipsed 300 miles per hour before her 16th birthday.

Even the casual observer is awed by the top fuel dragsters with chassis made by companies named McKinney and Hader.

But the stories continue in the Funny Car, Pro Stock and Pro Stock Motorcycle classes as well, where more common cars like Ford Mustangs, Pontiac Firebirds and Chevy Camaros make up most of the field. In the competition class, one can find a '69 'Cuda, a '71 Camaro, even a 1960 model Ford on the track.

The names can be familiar to the casual observer as well. There is Joe Gibbs, former coach of the National Football League's Super Bowl champion Washington Redskins, now owner of Gibbs Racing which runs cars carrying the McDonald's logo.

The sights: While the name of the game is speed, one thing makes it possible for these events to be so successful — and profitable. Sponsorship.

The first NHRA race was held in 1952 on an airport runway in Great Bend, Kan. Since then the NHRA has grown into the largest sanctioning body with more than 80,000 active members, 26,000 licensed competitors and 3,800 annual events on 137 member race tracks in the U.S., Canada, Mexico and Puerto Rico.

The accommodations: Gateway can seat up to 20,000 spectators, grandstands along both sides of the track, hundreds more in two premium sections located at the start line (earplugs strongly advised), and still more in 10 luxury suites located in the tower behind the starting area.

The press accommodations: The press can be located in the first floor of the tower. Many of the aforementioned sponsors also provide free samples of their products in the media center located less than 50 yards from the starting line at Gateway. Working reporters can enjoy beverages and cigarettes (outdoors only) as they call in their stories or tap their modems into the scores of available telephone lines.

UNITED "NATURALS" GIRLS TRYOUTS!

The Collinsville United "Naturals" girls soccer team, born between Aug. 1, 1982 & July 31, 1983, will be holding tryouts for the 1997-98 season.

Tryouts will be held at the Van Fossen Soccer Complex in Collinsville, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. July 8, 9 & 10, 1997. Anyone wishing to tryout should bring necessary equipment, a #5 ball and water. You should also bring a copy of your birth certificate and a small photo.

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OBITUARIES

Johnson, Catherine M. of Granite City died at 7:27 a.m. Thursday, June 26, 1997, at her residence. She was born Feb. 10, 1916, in Aspinwall, Pa.

Mrs. Johnson was a homemaker, member of the Omaha Tribe, and of the Lutheran faith.

She is survived by one son, James of St. Louis; three daughters, Sharon and Barbara both of Rockford, and Diane of Granite City; a son, Dan Stevens of Granite City; two sisters, Shirley Cline of Arnold, Mo., and Virginia Yinters of St. Louis; and 13 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by one son, Daniel Mitchell Williams; and one son, Donald Baptist and Virginia (Denny) Stevens.

A memorial service was held Saturday, June 28, at St. John Chapel, 505 Madison Avenue, Granite City, with Evelyn Boeker and Jinna Johnson officiating. The body was cremated.

Sims, Jacqueline

Sims, Jacqueline (Boyer) Sims. 41, of Lake St. Louis, Mo., formerly of Granite City, died Thursday, June 19, 1997, at her residence. She was born Dec. 10, 1955, in St. Louis.

Mrs. Sims, a homemaker, was a member of the Acaculate Conception Catholic Church and a 1979 graduate of Granite City High School.

Survivors include her husband, Bruce W. Sims; one son, Jacob Sims at home; three daughters, Ste-

phanie, Angels and Melissa Sims at home; her mother, Bernadette (Young) Boyer of Granite City; three brothers, George, Webb and Jennifer Boyer, both of Granite City and Julia Boyer of Chicago; and several brothers, Jerome, Michael, David, Randall, Richard and Roger Boyer, all of Granite City, and Mark Boyer of Jefferson City, Mo.

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Swain, Mary

MARY (MATAYA) SWAIN. 83, of Granite City, died June 25, 1997, at Colonades Nursing Home in Granite City. She was born Oct. 12, 1913, in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Swain retired from Ober-

Nester Glass Company in East St. Louis as a supervisor and was a member of the Acaculate Glass Bottle Blowers International Union.

Survivors include one son, Jerald Keith Pataky of Champaign; one daughter, Beverly Rhodes of Columbus, Ohio; and several grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his longtime companion Irene Strand; and his son, Andrew and Theresa (Craldi) Pataky.

Services were Saturday, June 28, at St. John's Funeral Home, 712 W. County Road, Jerseyville.

With the Rev. Simon A. Simon officiating. Burial was in Newbern Cemetery.

Memorials are suggested to Dow Southern Baptist Church.

and three sisters, Anne Alexander, Katherine and Rose Matayna. Services were Saturday, June 28, at Kasilly Mortuary Chapel, 9900 St. Clair, Fairview Heights. Burial was in Valhalla Gardens of Memory, Belleville.

Pataky, Ladislav

"Lester" **LADISLAV "LESTER" PATAKY,** 74, of Caseyville died at 11:15 a.m. Wednesday, June 25, 1997, at Jerseyville Health Care Center. He was born March 27, 1923, in Granite City.

Mr. Pataky retired from Ford Motor Company as a machinist 1st foreman. He was a 50-year member of the International Association of Machinists Local 100 and a U.S. Army veteran.

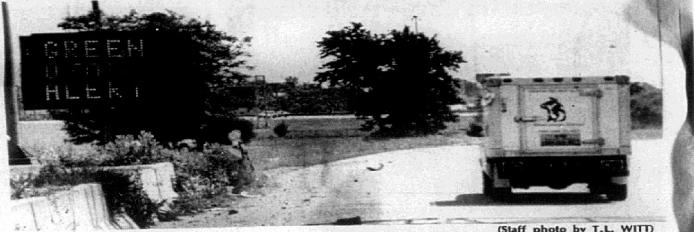
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(Staff photo by T.L. WITT)

This sign displaying outdoor air quality is at the Interstate 55-70 junction with I-64 in East St. Louis.

• Hotline

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want to bring an awareness to the issue and for people to alter their behaviors."

The Clean Air Hotline is provided by Memorial Hospital in cooperation with the St. Clair County Health Department, American Lung Association and 4 St. Louis KMOV-TV.

By dialing 257-6265, residents receive the Air Quality Forecast of either Green, Yellow, or Red.

A forecast of Green means the outdoor air quality is in good condition.

Yellow forecast means the air quality is deteriorating and becoming problematic, while Red means the outdoor air conditions are poor and can be unhealthy to breathe.

Seven Red air quality days were declared last year, Bishop said.

Last year, three hotlines were set-up in Mis-

souri and none were in Illinois. One hotline alone received 27,000 calls, Bishop said.

"It was a tremendous response. We were blown away by the response," he said.

Bishop said he wants to stress how problems with the ozone are a public health issue, affecting the breathing of children and asthmatics.

"Individuals and companies all have the power to make a difference. We can make behavior changes that positively affect the environment," he said.

Air quality information can also be obtained through 4 St. Louis KMOV television broadcasts at 6:30 a.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m. and 10 p.m. Other area television stations broadcast the air quality forecasts after 6 p.m.

The information is also broadcast on radio stations WLL-FM, K-HITS FM, and WRTH AM, during their morning drive broadcasts.

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Food for thought

BAC writing class holds food drive

By Michelle Duell
Staff writer

A basic writing class at Belleville Area Community College's Granite City Campus recently had food for thought.

The beneficiary was Phoenix House, a Granite City shelter for abused women and their children.

Instuctor Cynthia Hussein had decided her class should write about food, and she thought it also would be an opportunity to hold a food drive as a learning service project, she said.

In choosing a charitable organization to receive the food, class members Kimberly Hastings and Bonnie Moss selected Phoenix House, where she once stayed after leaving an abusive relationship, Hussein said.

"It's a very nice, loving atmosphere there," Hastings said of the Granite City women's shelter.

She also said the director and

founder of Phoenix House, Carol Chiappa-Burgess, was "a very kind person."

Chiappa-Burgess accepted the donations and expressed her thanks and spoke about Phoenix House. "She was grateful for the canned goods and other items" the class collected, Hussein said.

"It was a wonderful surprise," Chiappa-Burgess said. "Phoenix House provides practical and emotional support for abused women and their children."

Hastings said she is determined to continue the project next year.

In November, she received a general education diploma from BAC.

Hastings now is pursuing an associate of arts degree at the Granite City Campus with a career goal of becoming a counselor, she said.

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Little's retirement alters committee's meeting time

(BAC photo by LINDA GASS-BURGESS)

Above, holding some of the items donated to the Phoenix House are, from left, Phoenix House volunteer Bonnie Moss, Phoenix House director and founder Carol Chiappa-Burgess, and class members Kimberly Hastings and Dane Grue.

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It also reviews salaries, along with the Personnel Committee.

The committee will begin meeting at 8 a.m. to discuss the fiscal year 1988 budget.

Meetings are held in the County Board Conference Room or the first floor of the county Administration Building, 157 N. Main St.

The committee's current members are Little; Jaci Frandsen, D. Alhambra; Alan Dunstan, D. Troy; Don Rea D. Granite City; and Don Garrett, D. Madison.

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NEWS

Stassi
accusers
up to 10

The number of sexual assault allegations against Wood River City Councilman Tony Stassi has grown to 10, authorities said. There are others out there over the last eight or 10 years," Madison County State's Attorney Bill Haine said at a news conference Tuesday.

Stassi, 49, was jailed last week after being charged with three counts of aggravated criminal sexual assault in a case involving an 18-year-old woman who said he asked her to clean his house.

A Circuit Court grand jury Thursday handed up indictment, containing the same charges that were filed by the State's Attorney's Office last week.

At the time of the alleged offense, Stassi was free on a \$150,000 bond while awaiting trial on an aggravated criminal sexual assault charge filed in a May 8, 1996, abduction and rape of a 19-year-old woman in Alton.

Stassi has been denied bail on the new charges.

Haine said that since Stassi's arrest last week, authorities have been contacted by eight more women who said they also had been attacked by him. Three of the women declined to give their names, Haine said.

One woman who called Wednesday said she was attacked by Stassi earlier this year, which may result in new charges, Haine said.

A five-year statute of limitations apparently will prevent prosecution in any legal case, Haine said. He said those who prefer not to file a formal police report may call a sexual assault hot line at (800) 656-4283 or the same calls will be kept confidential.

He encouraged other victims to call Illinois State Police Special Agent Shirley Lamm at (618) 346-3769. He said those who prefer not to file a formal police report may call a sexual assault hot line at (800) 656-4283 or the same calls will be kept confidential.

Haine said there are similarities in the reports. He said all of the victims are 17 to 21 years old, of short build and said they were threatened with death if they reported the attacks.

All but two of the women said they were attacked after being hired for house cleaning, authorities said.

Haine said he does not find it surprising that more women have come forward. He said he thinks the women — all young and relatively small — were fearful of Stassi because of his imposing physical stature, his personal sexual power, and his threats to kill them.

Haine said he thinks one reason women are coming forward now is that Stassi is in jail now. Haine said he would oppose any motion to set bail and does not think a judge would do so under the circumstances.

"We hope this individual doesn't see the light of day for the rest of his life."

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LINC Inc. has announced plans to present awards to individuals, businesses or organizations that have shown exceptional leadership in promoting the rights of persons with disabilities and enhancing their quality of life.

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NEWS

Deering killed in accident

By Joe Leicht
Staff writer

16th District State Rep. Terry Deering was killed just after midnight Wednesday when his automobile left Washington County road near Nashville and struck a dirt embankment.

Deering was returning home from attending a St. Louis Cardinals baseball game, according to an Illinois State Police release. He was driving alone in his minivan on Washington County Highway 17 when he apparently failed to reduce his speed sufficiently to negotiate a turn onto Park Road.

No other vehicles were involved in the accident.

The Washington County Sheriff's Department was called to the scene at 12:22 a.m. after a passer-by saw the single-wreck called 911. State Police investigators processed the accident scene; their investigation is ongoing.

Excessive speed was apparently a critical factor in the crash.

Deering was wearing his seat belt and his driver's side air bag deployed, but the air bag did not prevent him from being killed on impact. He was pronounced dead at the scene.

A State Police spokesman said that the preliminary evidence did not suggest alcohol played a role in the fatality. Authorities said alcohol use could not be ruled out until a full coroner's inquest is completed, probably early this week.

The legislator had weathered an embarrassing episode May 17 when he was arrested by State police in Macoupin County for driving under the influence of alcohol. A month earlier, he had voted against lower blood-alcohol standards for motorists.

Deering, a Democrat, represented Monroe, St. Clair, Washington and Randolph Counties in the Illinois Assembly for three and a half terms, 1990 through 1997.

He began his political career as the mayor of DuBois. Before he elected public service, Deering was a coal miner and a diesel mechanic.

The 38-year-old legislator is survived by his wife Reita and three children - Greyson, 12, Clayton, 10 and Allyssa, 9.

Drivers' facilities open Monday

Secretary of State George H. Ryan has announced that drivers' services facilities throughout Illinois will expand their operating hours to accommodate license plate registration renewals due at the end of the month.

Passenger car, B-truck and small trailer owners who have license plates expiring in June can purchase renewal stickers at one of the 116 secretaries of state license facilities statewide or through "Touch-Tone Renewal."

Although most downtown full-time facilities are normally closed Monday, they will be open Monday, June 30, from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. to accommodate last-minute sticker sales.

"I hope that these expanded hours will relieve the last-minute rush of people who race to meet the deadline to renew their license plate stickers," Ryan said.

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NEWS

MILESTONES

Frank Dufka celebrates his 70th birthday today, June 29.

Alta Carpenter celebrates her 89th birthday today, June 29.

Otis and Geri Peacher celebrate their 4th anniversary today, June 29.

Gold and Ruth Sugg celebrate their anniversary today, June 29.

Diana Turner celebrates her 37th birthday today, June 29.

David Bridick celebrates their 5th anniversary today, June 29.

Terrance Alfaro celebrates his 12th birthday today, June 29.

Alan and Diana Nancey celebrate their 26th anniversary today, June 29.

Rose Gum celebrates her birthday today, June 29.

Tom and Gabrielle McElroy celebrate their 6th anniversary today, June 29.

Sherri Scrum Finke celebrates her birthday today, June 29.

Eric Franklin Thomas celebrates his 20th birthday today, June 29.

Eleanor Armour will celebrate her 50th birthday June 30.

Raymond Burris will celebrate his 32nd birthday June 30.

Angela Grupas will celebrate her 33rd birthday June 30.

Michele Myatt will celebrate her 11th birthday June 30.

Katie Marshall will celebrate her 16th birthday June 30.

Monica Ozanich will celebrate her 10th birthday June 30.

Miriam Ozanich will celebrate her birthday June 30.

Leah Carpenter will celebrate her 33rd birthday July 1.

David Bridick celebrates their 5th anniversary today, June 1.

Caitlin Elizabeth Stacy will celebrate her 9th birthday July 1.

Bryan Shaw will celebrate his birthday July 2.

Richard A. Mendez Jr. will celebrate his 35th birthday July 3.

Helen Mueller will celebrate her 41st birthday July 3.

Jesse Parker will celebrate his 16th birthday July 3.

Joe and Mindy Wallace will celebrate the 4th anniversary.

Melanie Skokol will celebrate her 25th birthday July 5.

Frances Skubish will celebrate her 88th birthday July 5.

Tom and Ryndra Skubish will celebrate her 88th birthday July 5.

Frank Leon Hollenbeck II will celebrate his 38th birthday July 5.

Mona "Penny" Bryant will celebrate her birthday July 5.

Many cities plan July 4 activities

Granite City is not the only area city holding July 4 celebrations this week. Following are some of the other festivities:

BELLEVILLE
After a four-year hiatus, Belleville Area College will host a fireworks show Friday. The show is scheduled for 9 p.m., at the corner of Illinois 161 and Greenmount Road.

Spectators are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs to watch the show, which is expected to last 25 minutes from BAC's soccer field.

COLLINSVILLE
Collinsville Jaycees President Mike Foley said his group has been working on details of the show for their annual event at the Jaycee Sports Complex on Collinsville Road.

The display will start at 8:30 p.m. and feature some 700 shells.

"It's going to be a great show for everyone," said Foley. This year, an estimated 5,000 people gathered for the fireworks display.

Again this year, Foley said the Jaycees plan to schedule live music as part of the evening entertainment. The band Angel Heart will take the stage at 7:30 p.m. and will play until the fireworks show. After the fireworks the band will play another set.

The concert is free and is being sponsored by

COLUMBIA

Columbia will hold its annual Fire Department carnival on Friday at the American Legion Park. In case of rain, the event will be held Saturday.

The schedule of events for the day has been finalized. The beer and firemen's fish stand will open at 11 a.m. The American Legion Drill Team will sponsor a Bingo game in the hall at noon, regardless of

weather.

There will be pony rides from 1-9 p.m.

Teams of two players each will compete for trophies in a Washers Tournament beginning at 1:30 p.m. at the Kloepper Tournament Hall. It will be at 5 p.m.

TROY

The Troy Olde-Fashioned 4th

of July Picnic will be held Friday at the Tri-Township Park and there will be food, games, contests, fireworks and live entertainment.

This year, the Troy Community Band will play from 1-4 p.m.

On Saturday, the McDonalds have fruit drinks to 1 p.m. and there are volunteers assisting Olympic games and drink water.

Those helping are Norleene, Bill, Violet, Taylor, City 113; Mary, Connie, Dennis, Inslee 367; and John F.

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The 22nd Division Legion Auxiliary American Legion Area 12 S.A. will be held.

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'First Call' to perform July 4

By Bob Slate
Staff writer

Grammy and Dove Award-winning music group "First Call" will perform in Granite City at 6:30 p.m. Friday, July 4, on the "Patriots in the Park" stage at Coolidge Middle School.

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a number of area churches and community businesses.

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Legion Auxiliary aids event

The 22nd District American Legion Auxiliary and the American Legion assisted in the Area 12 Special Olympics on Friday, June 26. Volunteers filled 2,250 lunch bags at the Holy Rosary School in Fairmont City.

On Saturday, 23 volunteers delivered the lunch bags and McDonald's hamburgers and fruit drinks to the SIUE Soccer Field and to the participants and volunteers assisting in the Special Olympics that day. Cookies and drinks were given out in the parking lot to participants and volunteers.

Those helping were: Rose Norland, Bill Moreland, and Violet Taylor from Granite City 113; Mary Lamoreaux and Carol Gandy from Granite City 367; Dorothy Sooy, Ed Snov, John Ethan, Charles

AARP dinner, dance set for July 9

The American Association of Retired Persons Chapter 1340 will hold an appreciation dinner and dance Wednesday, July 9, at the Hagnaer Township Hall.

Tickets are available for members who paid dues by May 30. You must buy a ticket to attend. July 7 is the cut-off date. A \$2 donation is due when tickets are picked up. Cost for guests is \$8. Those 50 and older are welcome to attend.

Doors open at 5 p.m., dinner at 6 p.m. and dancing starts at 7 p.m. with music by Jerry's Kids.

Members are encouraged to bring cleaning supplies, paper products or personal care items for Phoenix House.

For more information, call 877-3020.

Brazier, Andy Hubbard, and Guy Rigler from Edwardsville 199; Manda Markezich from Fairmount City 961; Mike Murphy, Carol Gandy, and Mark Murphree from East St. Louis 53; Nancy Paetz and Thelma Whitten from Alton 126;

Dee Godat from Cahokia 784; Edith Ruehrup from Granite City 147; Marc Pfeifer, Mary May, and Paul Schlachte from Belleville 58; Judy Zimmerman and Angie Zimmerman from New Douglas 714; and from Venetia-Millwood 297, the following: Dorothy Hinson, Norma Hillmer, Eunice Whitehill, Pauline Mersinger, Juanita Williams, Dolores Weis, Betty Allen, Carol Johnson, Linda Marge Nonn, Bette Nugent, Charlotte Moreland, Yvonne Passis, and Louise Pascio.

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"I'm in favor of sunshine but not of the heat."

Faye Poole, 80
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Legal secretary



"I truly enjoy the sunshine but the heat keeps me from working in my yard."

Isla Williams, 80
Granite City
Retired

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Interviewed in Downtown Granite City

IN THE CLASSROOM

A graduation party was held on Saturday, May 31, at the Granite City Township Hall in honor of Amy Tadlock, a graduate of Amy Bentz Christian School. There were 92 people in attendance, including several relatives and friends. Dinner was served by Jerry's Kids.

Music was provided by Dave's Country Tracks. The party was give by Amy's parents, Don and Mary Tadlock, and her grandparents, Bill and Betty Peterson.

Amy graduated first in her class with honors at the commencement ceremony held Friday, May 30. She plans to attend Southwest Baptist University in the fall to pursue a degree in criminal justice.

Holly Jean Hendrix, granddaughter of Ray and Norma Noel of Granite City, recently graduated from Rolla High School, Mo., an honor student, received the Rolla Optometrist Club Award, the Rolla High School Award, President's Award for Educational Excellence and a College Preparation Award certificate.

Her parents are Charles and Debra Sue (Woll) Hendrix of Rolla. She is the great-granddaughter of Ed and the late Edna (Hendrix) Rolla and granddaughter of Mattie Hendrix of Rolla.

Holly will be attending the University of Rolla beginning in the fall.

Melanie Gersert, daughter of David and Mary Ann Gersert, is the recipient of the 1997 St. Elizabeth Ladies' Society Scholarship. Melanie is a graduate of Granite City High School at a Sunday Mass in St. Elizabeth's Church from Marilyn Schooley, president of the Ladies' Society, and Melanie is a graduate of St. Elizabeth's High School in Indianapolis.

John Jones of Granite City graduated with honors from Greenville College, Sunday, May 18. Jones is the son of John and Nancy Jones of Granite City.

Jones graduated magna cum laude with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Business Management. Magna cum laude denotes a superior scholarship record with a GPA of 3.85 or higher.

Lisa Rees of Granite City graduated with honors from Greenville College, Sunday, May 18.

Rees graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in Organizational Science through the GOAL program, Greenville's adult degree completion program.

Justin Paul Stallings of Granite City was among 192 seniors who received diplomas May 18 at Illinois College's annual commencement.

Stallings graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Engineering.

He is the son of Mark and Mary

John Stallings of Granite City and a graduate of Granite City High School.

Dominick Jaycox of Granite City enrolled in the Computer Aided Manufacturing program at ITT Technical Institute, 13505 Lakefront Drive, Earth City. The local campus on the St. Louis area network of 59 ITT Technical Institutes is operated by Indianapolis-based ITT Educational Services, Inc.

Jaycox is in the first year of a program, which begins Sept. 8, will help prepare for Jaycox for an entry level position in drafting.

Jessica A. Thomas of Granite City was among approximately 100 Mardon College students honored at the 1997 Honors Convocation at the college in Jacksonville.

Thomas was recognized as a newly-induced member of Mardon College's senior honor society.

The daughter of David and Patricia Thomas of Granite City, Thomas is a junior majoring in English at MacMurray and a graduate of Granite City High School.

Millikin University student Jeanine M. McElroy, Cain of Granite City, was awarded the American Chemical Society Award in outstanding junior chemistry major, which has demonstrated talent and ability in analytical chemistry during the Dietrich

gualished Faculty Lecture and Honors Convocation held recently on campus in Kirkland Fine Arts Center. The convocation marked the daughter of Charles and Marilyn McMillan of Granite City and a graduate of Granite City High School.

Stefan A. Jacobs, daughter of Michael and Sandra Jacobs of Granite City, was among more than 450 McKendree classmates who were conferred their degrees at the commencement ceremony May 17. The ceremony was held on the front campus and attracted approximately 2,000 visitors.

Jacobs, a graduate of Granite City High School, earned a bachelor's degree in business education and a degree in accounting from MacMurray College. She is a member of Phi Beta Lambda and was a United Methodist Scholarship recipient.

Culver-Stockton College has announced its honor roll for the 1996 fall semester. Students who earned a grade point average of 3.2 and 3.49 and were enrolled in a minimum of 12 hours with no grade lower than a C, were named to the honor roll.

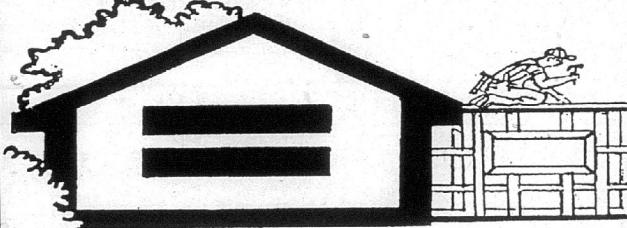
Erie Lawrence Hahn, a junior majoring in business administration, and Michael and Marilyn Hahn of Granite City.

Tracy Lynn Mell, a junior majoring in biology, daughter of John and Susan Mell of Granite City.

Truman State University, formerly Northern Missouri State, held its spring commencement May 10 with former U.S. Sen. Thomas Eagleton addressing more than 800 graduates. About 100 students from 99 were three Granite Cityians, each receiving their bachelor of science degrees.

Amy Elizabeth Krakowka, BS, Justice systems; Sarah Catherine Mehle, BS, Mathematics; and Michael Johnson, BS, Biology. Johnson, daughter of Mack Johnson of Granite City, was also named to the dean's list and graduated magna cum laude with a perfect 4.0 grade point average.

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Taurus moon. Find something to indulge yourself in since the moon's stirring up appetites. Most people will only be satisfied by the best that money can get, but you'll live it up even if you just stay at home and have a barbecue. The Cancer sun brings the party home, so show off a bit.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A Leo has ideas on how you can improve your love life. Take the necessary steps to create a domestic atmosphere that lifts your spirit. A new health regimen or diet is just what you need to boost your energy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A co-worker phones to discuss office politics, so be cautious in what you say. Your love wants to tell you exactly how he or she feels, so listen with an open mind. An outdoor event is the spot for meeting an old friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Exercise your right to privacy when friends press hard for information on a new romance. A fellow Gemini is excited about beginning a collaborative project with you. Art and literature are the cures for the afternoon blues.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). A creative project will be most successful if you team with a Leo or Capricorn. A decisive move will keep you out of the feud at a family function. A romantic partner is willing to make a compromise.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Allow a friend to help you with a financial dilemma. A recent setback at work will not hinder you from furthering your education. A child or sibling wishes to spend more time with you — make this a priority.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Seek out a friend who encourages your spiritual growth. A Libra or Taurus desires to begin a romantic relationship with you. Complete a domestic project with the help of a neighbor or a family member.

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Cahokia Mounds events set

Archaeological excavations, an observance of the Summer Solstice sunrise, dance performances and guided tours highlight current activities at Cahokia Mounds State Historic Site.

Dr. Melvin Fowler, of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and a team of archaeologists will be there through the end of July for evidence of another Woodhenge at Cahokia. Fowler believes that large posts he found beneath Mound 72 during the late 1960s are associated with another of these post-circle monuments.

Starting at 10 a.m., free guided tours will be offered at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday, and at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. on Sundays. The early tour will include Monks Mound and the Stockade reconstructions, and the later tour will include the Twin Mounds, Mound 72 and Grand Plaza areas. The tours last about an hour. Self-guided tours of Monks Mound, the Plaza and Woodhenge are available at all times through the free loan of a cassette tape or the purchase of a guidebook in the Museum Shop.

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IHSA may set minimum GPA

If I heard correctly, the Chicago Public School Board announced last spring that grade school students in that city will have to pass classes in order to be promoted. How naive am I? I thought that was the case everywhere. Yet, that decision might well be related to a bill introduced in the Illinois General Assembly (Rep. Verne Clayton, R-Buffalo Grove) forcing the Illinois High School Association to institute a minimum grade point average for student-athletes.

And, that bill just might have resulted from employers tired of dealing with inept individuals in a work force where a high school diploma just might not mean what it represents.

For student-athletes, I've always considered the IHSA minimum for eligibility nearly laughable. For instance, as it now stands, a student can continue to compete even if he/she were carrying Ds in four courses and flunking two others.

According to Sen. Martin Butler (R-Park Ridge), IHSA Executive Secretary H. David Fry has assured him that the association will act on its own, preferring to tighten its own rules rather than have its hands tied by state law.

Said Fry: "I intend to work to have an amendment proposal to try to enhance academic standards."

Thus, state athletic directors and principals can expect to hear from Fry later this summer and vote on whether to establish a minimum cumulative grade point average for athletes.

Student-athletes, especially those in the Chicago area, can rest easy if they are currently are carrying less than a 2.0 gpa (commonly accepted as a C) since the proposal could not take effect until after the 1998 school year.

Yet, that does not mean that students, parents, teachers, and administrators should not keep a wary eye on a school's standards.

"The problem at schools in our state and in the nation is that a 2.0 is not the same at all schools," warned O'Fallon High School principal Dennis Grimmer.

Grimmer then referred to some courses at O'Fallon that are worth a full credit and full physical education and pom pom, which are worth one-eighth — and band, chorus, driver education and computer orientation, which are worth one-eighth.

"There are some schools in the area that count PE as one-half credit and band as a full credit," said Grimmer, who noted that Fullerton students are urged to take more classes to stay above the minimum of passing just four courses.

"Much depends on what the minimum will be," Grimmer said of Fry's proposal. "What ever he says, we feel we are still above."

With an average ACT score of 23.4 — well above the state composite of 20.6 and just a few above 20.9 — O'Fallon easily supports Grimmer's statement, but I cannot help but wonder how many other schools simply adhere to the current IHSA minimum.

Four Ds, two Fs. That's amazingly low to maintain athletic eligibility.

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Michelle Montgomery, one of the leaders of the Granite City girls soccer team's defense, also led the Lady Warriors in scoring with 17 goals and 13 assists. She was voted by area coaches as the Illinois Journals Player of the Year.



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'She brought so much adrenalin to each game. There was a certain amount of electricity present whenever she was on the field.'

— Gene Baker
Granite City coach

"Michelle Montgomery was electric," said Granite City coach Gene Baker. "When she took the ball upfield, something positive always happened for us. She brought so much adrenalin to each game. There was a certain amount of electricity present whenever she was on the field."

Montgomery, who will be playing soccer this fall for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, played left

midfield for the Lady Warriors her first two seasons, but was moved by Baker to the backfield her junior year.

She thrives on defense.

"I like marking the tough players," she said. "It motivates me to do the very best I can do."

"It's unusual to find a player as flexible as Montgomery," said SIU women's soccer coach Bill Korbemeyer.

"She is probably the best defender in the area, yet there's not a position on the field that she can't play and play with excellence. Her greatest strength is her versatility."

"Flexibility is the word which best describes Montgomery," Baker said.

"She played with excellence on all three thirds of the field. And she did it game-in and game-out, without fail. She was as consistent as they come."

Montgomery got her start in organized soccer at the age of 4, and has been learning the game and growing ever since. But, she is quick to point out:

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Siegel sets own standard with 29-goal campaign

Other members of the Illinois Journals All-Area first team, and a summary of each:

TASHA SIEGEL, Collinsville: The junior forward, who finished second in the Player of the Year voting behind Granite City's Michelle Montgomery, once again led the Kahoks in goals with a career-best 29. That total helped Siegel garnish a second All-Area honor.

Siegel's 29 goals this spring also broke the Collinsville school record of 26, set by Kahoks head coach Deana Wallace in 1984 as the first female to offer a girls' soccer. Over her three-year career, Siegel has scored 56 goals.

"At the beginning of the season, I wanted to beat the 19 goals I had last year. I wasn't too much into the (school) record," Siegel said. "I went after it when I was one away from the record. Last year, at the banquet, (Wallace) said, 'You have got to beat 29 goals.'

From 19 goals to 29 in one season is a remarkable jump, if 39 is on the horizon for next spring?

"That's really not a goal. I really just want to make All-State," said Siegel, who added 10 assists this year, a total of 66 points. "Because it is (going to be) my senior year, I really want to go to state next year. It would also be a high honor to be the player of the year. I also want to beat 28 goals."

AMIE RENGEL, Triad: Rengel was the youngest player to be named to the All-Area team.

Rengel, a sophomore, led the Lady Knights in scoring this season with 19 goals and 18 assists. Rengel scored a goal in 10 of the 16 Lady Knights' 14 games.

Her shining moment came April 18 against Mississippi Valley Conference opponent Civic Memorial. Rengel scored



(Photo by MARK BONEBRAKE)

Junior forward Tasha Siegel (right) broke the single-season record for goals at Collinsville this year with 29.

four goals and assisted on three others.

"I see Amie — if she is continuing to play like she is, her confidence level goes up and she stays healthy — as a senior making All-State," Triad coach Amy Bickford said.

LUCILLE TRAGESSER, Belleville East: A senior, Tragesser played three years for

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the Lancers, including the school record season in 1996. This year she had 15 goals and 10 assists.

"The best thing about Kelley is her attitude and her work rate," said Mark Lasley, East's first-year head coach. "She continues to do the things she knows how to do."

"Early in the year she was upset because she couldn't score, but she ended up being our third-leading scorer," Lasley said. Brumfield and Christen Seaman, who had 17 and 16 goals, respectively. But she had five or six game-winning goals and that's what made her the top forward on our team. Her leadership as a senior was great."

Tragette will play Division II soccer at Cumberland College in Kentucky.

AMY YOUNG, O'Fallon: A junior and a three-year starter, Young has gone from the Panthers in second to the second straight season.

"Her strengths are her size, her skill and her deceptive speed," said O'Fallon coach Dava Ames. "She's a great player. You can't strike her, she always seems to know where the goal is and she goes for it. Her biggest improvement this year was that she was able to hold the ball when we got it to her and do something with it."

JENNIFER EICKMEIER, Althoff: A four-year starter, Eickmeier finished her prep career with 48 goals and 48 assists. She was named to the all-state team this season and earned first-team all-sectional honors each year.

"She can play anywhere," said Althoff coach Haig.



(Staff photo by JOHN SWISTAK JR.)

Collinsville's Tasha Siegel, left, finished second in the Player of the Year voting behind Granite City's Michelle Montgomery.

Nighohossian. "She has good skills, great speed and a great desire to play the game. This year she has been more involved in all aspects of the game. As a co-captain, she had to be a leader and take on more responsibility. She fulfilled her obligation."

Eickmeier, who plays for the J.B. Marine select team in St. Louis, will attend Southwest Missouri State University on a soccer scholarship.

JAIME DELLBRINGGE,

Granite City: Dellbringe was in many ways, the key to Granite City's effective defense this season. From her position at midfield, she turned away many offensive attacks before they reached the backfield.

University of Kentucky women's soccer coach Warren Lipka, for whom Dellbringe will play this fall, called Jaime "one of the best midfielders at midfield, good with the ball on her feet and strong in the air. She always positions herself well."

Granite City coach Gene

Baker also had praise for his four-year standout performer, calling her "an excellent player in every phase of the game. Jaime plays like very few others in the field like very few players can. It is unusual to find a girl who is as flexible positionally as Jaime is. She has tremendous soccer skills and savvy."

Dellbringe's career at Granite City has included numerous awards, including Olympic Development Team selections in both Missouri and Illinois. Barring injury, Dellbringe should have a stellar collegiate career.

"As good as a player she was in Granite City," said Baker, "Jaime's best soccer is ahead of her." *****

AMY HENKHAUS, Edwardsville: A five-year starter for coach Mark Schwarzkopf, Henkhaus will long be remembered as one of the players who founded the Tigers' girls soccer program.

Henkhaus, who is headed to Southern Indiana on a soccer scholarship, gave the new program much stability and leadership the last two seasons. Her experience playing for J.B. Marine, a select team in St. Louis, made her a major force for the Tigers.

"I think the reason why Henkhaus separated herself from other players is that she is a real student of the game," Schwarzkopf said. "She has been playing since she was extremely young. It is a quality educational experience for herself as far as the sport goes."

"She tries to set a positive example for the other players, whether it is in training or in the game. She really has no limitations."



(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

Although a defender, Michelle Montgomery, right, led the GCHS soccer squad in many offensive categories.

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she feels are responsible for her success.

"Coach Baker has really given me a great deal of confidence," she said. "He always told me I could do it. He kept encouraging me. And when I did it and succeeded, it made me even more confident I could keep on doing it."

"And playing with the great players who surrounded me made all the difference in the world. As a defense, we didn't get challenged a whole lot because the forwards kept the ball at the other end and our opponents could not get the ball past our midfielders."

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for "playing together so often that we each know what the other is going to do. That makes each of the better players than we would be by ourselves. Part of it is because neither one of us wants to be out-done by the other."

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Art show — On April 8, Central Bank held its annual art show for the students at Granite City High School, 3303 Nameoki Rd. Twenty pieces of art were critiqued by Don Davis, professor of Art at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. TOP LEFT: Margaret Barnhart, senior personal banker of Central Bank, presented a check to the first-place winner, Dave Whittington. BOTTOM LEFT: Second place went to Mike Ahlers (center). Kara Ballew (left) received third place and Whittington took first. ABOVE: Honorable mention went to the following students, from left: Eric Wilkerson, Shannon Bishop, Henry Brandon, Erin Tyler, Laura Sabol and Ben Roberts. A donation was presented to the Granite City High School art department on behalf of Central Bank.

Driver services facility hours extended

Secretary of State George H. Ryan has announced that driver services facilities throughout Illinois will extend their operating hours to accommodate the large number of license plate registration renewals due at the end of the month.

Passenger car, B-truck, and small trailer owners who have license plates expiring in June can purchase renewal stickers at one of the 110 driver services state license facilities, 2,356 financial institutions statewide or through "Touch-Tone Renewal."

Although most downstate

full-time facilities are normally closed on Monday, they will be open from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. to accommodate last-minute sticker sales.

"I hope that these expanded hours will help ease the last-minute rush of people who

race to meet the deadline to renew their license plate stickers," Ryan said. "Normally at the end of June, we see long lines at many facilities because so many registrations are due for renewal. Questions regarding operating hours of any of the 186 driver services facilities in Illinois or instructions for renewals can be directed to the secretary of state's office at 1-800-252-8980.

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FRENS, LISTED 1632 Spring, Graceful 5 & 3 bed w/ partially finished lower-level basement. Large bay window, fenced yard. Great big 2 car garage. You can drive by then call John. FHA about \$2000 down. Payment about \$400. Complete. It's CLEAN, CLEAN, CLEAN. Delay may hurt!

1700 SO. FT. RANCH AT 4066 Central, 2 baths, garage/work shop, vacant! The works, low, low \$70's.

NEW 2-BR MOBILE HOME on lot complete. Kit w/ all. Don't pass this by, on Central, off Lake Dr.

BRICK DUPLEX. New 2-BR, apts. \$4,900, \$700 rent OK. \$100 down free with FHA loan, \$1300 down.

2312 HODGES, Sturdy 2-BR, basement, garage. FHA approved. Great in-cost. Payment about \$325 monthly. Vacant.

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SOLD! 2541 ADAMS. Lovley 3 bed w/ basement and garage. \$40's.

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821 MADISON. Second floor brick with basement. Priced just \$10,000.

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FAMILY

'I'm proud to be American'

I am proud to live in a country where free public education was determined by our forefathers to be a basic necessity to perpetuate democracy. I am especially proud to live in a community which supports local schools and which sets high expectations for quality education. Most of all, I am proud to live here, among where educators, families and students continually strive to make a good school even better, the individual and for the entire group.

Rhonda Coleman
Principal, Parkway South Middle School

Where on earth does there exist a government borne on God's trust? A country who disarms its internal rivals by offering freedom to all citizens. Creating the right to be an individual. From the gun-toting woodsman to the polished Wall Street executive, this country is the land where I am honored to be a part of.

Kathryn Hawk
Town and Country

The Journal's appeal for reflections on American pride immediately caught my eye. "Why are you proud to be American?" I was asked and responded and stated that comments would be published under the title "I'm proud to be American." It piqued my interest. But upon closer examination, we have come to shrink responsibility. I thought about discussing all the things which do not make

me proud to be an American and which I indirectly perpetuate: poverty, discrimination, unthinkingness. But I decided to do the opposite. To celebrate and to examine the things we're proud of in order to make better those of which we're not proud. After a few minutes of consideration, I decided to write about what took place just a few years ago, would exemplify my American pride.

My school held a boat race for which students constructed the boats of only cardboard and glue. In maritime tradition, each boat had to have a name. Two of my classmates' names were "Lei" and "Maja". Lei is Chinese and Maja is Serbian. They built a boat together; they dubbed it "Two Communist Comrades". This boat was painted black and red. The aft was adorned with pictures of Emperor Tito and Mao Tse-tung, carefully framed and protected. The boat, in its original worker's uniforms and sang a Communist anthem while paddling during the race. They strapped "Two Communists" to the top of the car to transport it to school. During the five-minute drive, the girls were shocked at the scene in cause. The driver stopped at the boat then Lei and Maja. Maja said she was actually uncomfortable under the hateful looks. As they were waiting to start, Lei and Maja saw the boat speed past, stopped, backed up, and stared some more, then drove off angrily.

In the United States, a citizen's thoughts and words are free. And when thoughts and words are free, we can live fully as citizens and humans. For this I am proud to be an American.

Katie Schwetly, 17
Clayton High School
Clayton

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
Rosewell Bank, a Federal Savings Bank,
Trust First Granite City Savings and
Loans, Plaintiff,
v.
Bradley William Bailey, Unknown Owners
and UNKNOWN OWNERS AND
HONRECORD CLAIMANTS.

No. 97-CH-261

NOTICE OF PENDENCY OF ACTION
RECORDED

Notice is hereby given to Defendant, Bradley W. Bailey, of the following described real estate that the action is pending, and the day on or after which a default may be entered against that defendant.

The undersigned certifies that a copy of this notice was recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Madison County, Illinois, on June 9, 1997, and is now pending.

(i) Name of the Plaintiff and the case number are identified above.

(ii) Name of which sale action was brought is identified above.

(iii) Name (s) of the title holder (s) of record are:

Bradley William Bailey.

(iv) Description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows:

Lot 2, Block 2, Section 2 in Milton Heights Subdivision, according to the plat recorded in the office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Madison County, Illinois.

(v) Description of the location of the real estate is as follows:

(vi) An identification of the mortgagee to be foreclosed is as follows:

Names of Mortgagors: Bradley W. Bailey.

Name of Lender: First Granite City Savings and Loan Bank, f/k/a First Granite City Savings and Loan.

Date of Recording: May 9, 1994

County: Madison County, Illinois

Recording Document Identification: Book 3079 Page 1890

Parcel ID No. 23-06-07-20-03-032

Notice of Pendency of Action Recorded

Notice is hereby given to all persons having an interest in the property described above that a suit for the recovery of a debt and/or a claim for damages has been filed in the Circuit Court of Madison County, Illinois, on or about the 23rd day of June, 1997, and is now pending.

The names of the parties to the suit are as follows:

Plaintiff: Granite City Housing Authority

Defendant: Bradley W. Bailey

Attorney and Counselor at Law

Bill T. Walker #02921782

Attorney and Counselor at Law

Granite City, IL 62040

618/546-3300

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT
THE THIRD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT
MADISON COUNTY, ILLINOIS
IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF
GLADYS C. AUBRECHT, Deceased.

No. 97 P-974

INDEPENDENT WRITING OF A
TESTAMENTARY DOCUMENT

NOTIFICATION TO
CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

1. Notice is given of the death of Gladys C. Aubrecht who died on May 1, 1997, in the City of Edwardsville, Illinois.

2. The Representative for the estate is: Kathryn A. Young, 2704010102, Rockwood, Illinois.

3. The Attorney for the estate is: Ronald M. Hem, of

Widman, Herold, Allen & Dixon

1818 Main Street, Suite 210

Aurora, Illinois 60506

4. Creditors and claimants may file a claim on or before December 30, 1997.

5. Notice of the filing of a claim may be filed with the Clerk of the Circuit Court, 155 N. Main St., Edwardsville, Illinois, or with the Representative for the estate, or with the Attorney for the estate, within 10 days after it has been filed.

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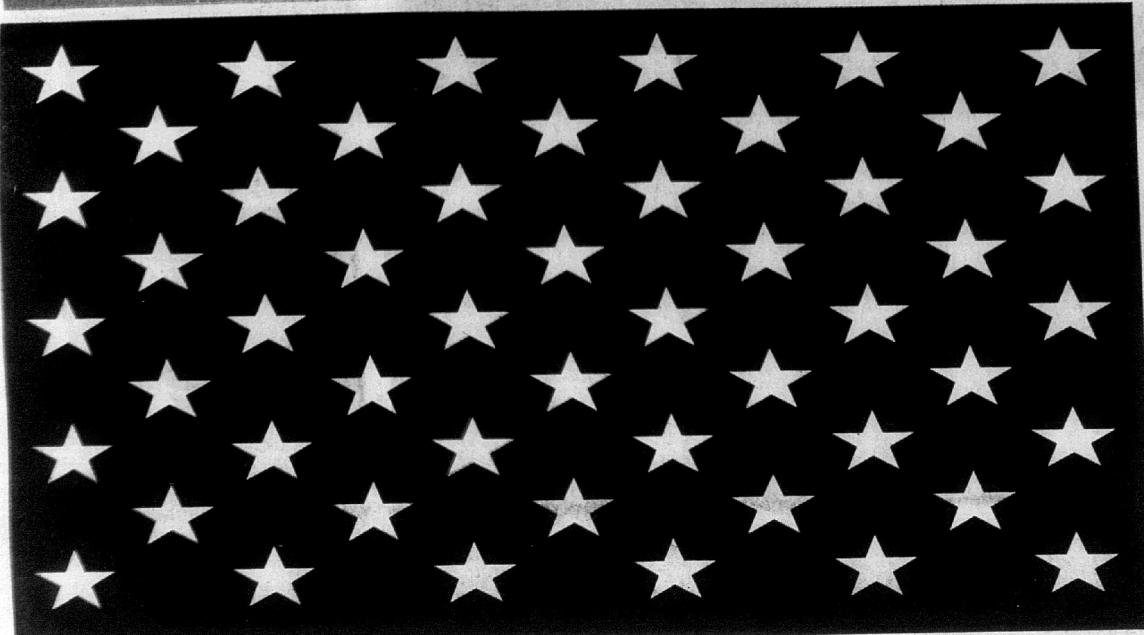
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